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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Yasushi SATO

Serial No.: 09/914,641

Group Art Unit: 1646

Filed: August 30, 2001

Examiner: KEMMERER, Elizabeth

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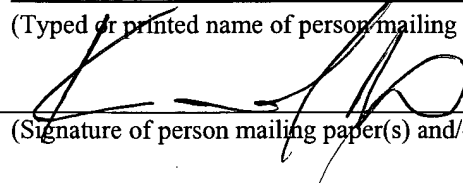
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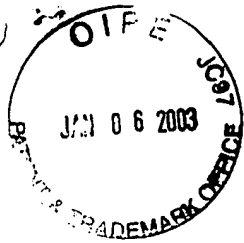
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TRANSMITTAL OF RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION/ELECTION REQUIREMENTCommissioner For Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is/are the following items in response to the Office Action dated December 4, 2002, requiring Election of Species in the above-identified application:

- ☒ Response And Election;
- ☒ Transmittal Of Response To Restriction/Election Requirement (in duplicate);
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RESPONSE AND ELECTION

Commissioner For Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction/Election Requirement dated February 19, 2002 for the above-identified application, applicants respectfully submit the following response.

REMARKS

The Examiner has identified four species regarding active protein, of which she has required the election for prosecution on the merits, in the event no generic claim is finally held to be allowable:

- 1: The first species (I-A) is G-CSF.
- 2: The second species (I-B) is PTH.
- 3: The third species (I-C) is EPO.
- 4: The fourth species (I-D) is another specific active protein.

The Examiner has further identified twenty species regarding the amino acid in the composition, of which she has required the election for prosecution on the merits, in the event no generic claim is finally held to be allowable:

- 1: The first species (II-A) is methionine.